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Sir:

This is a preliminary amendment to the patent application identified above, a divisional of U.S. Serial No. 09/261,300, now allowed. Applicants respectfully request entry and consideration of the present amendments prior to examination of the subject application.

APPENDICES

Appendix A: Amendment to page 1 of the specification.

Appendix B: Pages 24 and 35 of the specification, indicating corrections made.

Appendix C: Corrected pages 24 and 25 of the specification.

Appendix D: Amendments to the title and claims.

Appendix E: Pending claims after entry of this amendment.

Appendix F: Figure 1 as filed with requested amendments indicated in red.

Appendix G: Figure 1 as amended.